

24591. BELOU GLUTINOSA (Blanco) Skeels. (LIMONIA GLUTINOSA Blanco.) (AEGLE DECANDRA Naves.)

From Montalban, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Presented by Mr. William S. Lyon, who collected the seed in December, 1908. Received January 18, 1909.

Seeds.

"A tree, trunk armed with large spines; leaves alternate, ternate; flowers axillary or terminal, whitish. Fruit oblong, 3 inches long, 2 inches thick, surface covered with protuberances and grooved; pulp glutinous, aromatic; juice sour. The wood is used for pillars in houses and the fruit is made into glue. Native names, *Tabog* and *Taboc*." (*Blanco, Flora de Filipinas, 1837.*)

"May be used as a possible stock for dry farming of citrus." (*Lyon.*)

24592. BLIGHIA SAPIDA Konig.

From Ancon, Canal Zone, Panama. Presented by Mr. H. F. Schultz. Received January 18, 1909.

"The 'Akee,' a beautiful African tree introduced into the West Indies. Valued in Jamaica as a richly flavored and wholesome food. The bright-yellow, fleshy arillus is the part eaten. Should not be eaten if in the *least* decayed. The fruit is prepared in various ways, stewed in milk and afterwards browned in a frying pan with butter. It is also commonly eaten boiled and mixed with salt fish, onions, and tomatoes as a breakfast food." (*Extract from Cook and Collins, "Economic Plants of Porto Rico."*)

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From Miami, Fla. Received through Mr. P. J. Wester, in charge of Subtropical Garden, January 16, 1909.

The following seeds:

24593. THRINAX FLORIDANA Sarg.

"This is indigenous to southern Florida and the keys, with slender trunk, attaining a height of 25 or more feet, with crown of small diameter; the leaves are green above and silvery white beneath; the berries are produced in great abundance and are waxy white. This palm might make a very satisfactory subject for the conservatory, where, as far as I am aware, it has never been tried, and is worth introducing into southern California and Hawaii. I have no doubt it is indigenous to Porto Rico." (*Wester.*)

24594. COCCOTHRINAX GARBERI (Chapm.) Sarg.

"This is a dwarf palm with rather slender stem; leaves yellowish green, lustrous above, silvery beneath; the berries are deep purple. This also might make a very attractive greenhouse subject, and is certainly worth introducing into southern California and Hawaii." (*Wester.*)

Distribution.—Found on dry coral ridges near the shore of Biscayne Bay, Florida.

24595. JACQUEMONTIA PENTANTHA (Jacq.) G. Don.

An attractive greenhouse climber for summer and autumn flowering, with rich violet-blue flowers. (*Adapted from Bailey.*)

Distribution.—Florida keys and Tropical America.